

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
for the  
EASTERN DISTRICT OF NORTH CAROLINA

**U.S.A. vs. Esteban Rivera**

**Docket No. 7:10-CR-88-4FL**

**Petition for Action on Supervised Release**

COMES NOW John A. Cooper, U.S. Probation Officer of the court, presenting a petition for modification of the Judgment and Commitment Order of Esteban Rivera, who, upon an earlier plea of guilty to 21 U.S.C. §846, Conspiracy to Distribute and Possess With Intent to Distribute 5 Kilograms or More of Cocaine and 18 U.S.C. § 924(c), Possession of a Firearm in Furtherance of a Drug Trafficking Crime, was sentenced by the Honorable Louise W. Flanagan, U.S. District Judge, on June 27, 2011, to the custody of the Bureau of Prisons for a term of 73 months. It was further ordered that upon release from imprisonment the defendant be placed on supervised release for a period of 60 months.

On November 6, 2014, pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 3582(c)(2) the court reduced the term of imprisonment to 68 months. This sentence consisted of a reduction on Count 1 to 8 months and 60 months on Count 5 consecutive.

Esteban Rivera was released from custody on October 30, 2015, at which time the term of supervised release commenced.

**RESPECTFULLY PRESENTING PETITION FOR ACTION OF COURT FOR CAUSE AS FOLLOWS:**

On February 5, 2018, Rivera's supervision was transferred to the Eastern District of California to allow him to obtain employment and a better residential situation there with his girlfriend. Since that date, he has been supervised by U.S. Probation Officer Molly R. McSorley. USPO McSorley reports that on March 20, 2018, Rivera was displaced from his residence by his girlfriend and became homeless. He was advised to keep the probation officer informed if he obtained a new residence or new employment. He failed to keep the probation officer informed of his whereabouts and failed to attend drug treatment as directed. However, on August 29, 2018, Mr. Rivera reported unannounced to the probation office and provided new information regarding his residence. He was reminded of his responsibilities while on supervised release, particularly that due to his homeless status, he must remain in constant communication with the Probation Office. It appears Rivera has re-established contact with the Probation Office and USPO McSorley recommends the defendant be placed on 6 months of home confinement to address his noncompliance. The defendant signed a Waiver of Hearing agreeing to the proposed modification of supervision. Furthermore, it appears the defendant has no further ties to the Eastern District of North Carolina and it is recommended that jurisdiction be transferred to the Eastern District of California. (See attached Order)

**PRAYING THAT THE COURT WILL ORDER** that supervised release be modified as follows:

1. The defendant shall be monitored for a period of 6 months, with location monitoring technology, which may include the use of radio frequency (RF) or Global Positioning System (GPS) devices, at the discretion of the probation officer. The defendant shall abide by all technology requirements and shall pay the costs of location monitoring based upon their ability to pay as directed by the probation officer. In addition to other court-imposed conditions of release, the defendant's movement in the community shall be restricted as follows:
  - a. The defendant shall be restricted to his residence at all times except for employment; education; religious services; medical, substance abuse, or mental health treatment; attorney visits; court

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appearances; court-ordered obligations; or other activities as pre-approved by the probation officer; (Home Detention).

Except as herein modified, the judgment shall remain in full force and effect.

Reviewed and approved,

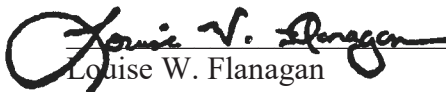
I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct.

/s/ Robert L. Thornton  
Robert L. Thornton  
Supervising U.S. Probation Officer

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Executed On: October 2, 2018

**ORDER OF THE COURT**

Considered and ordered this 3rd day of October, 2018, and ordered filed and made a part of the records in the above case.

  
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Louise W. Flanagan  
U.S. District Judge